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On Apr 25, 2017, at 9:42 AM, Webster, Sarah <swebster@blm.gov> wrote:

## **CALIFORNIA**

Connelly: Trump to sign 'review' order aimed at axing America's new national monuments

*Seattle pi*, April 24

President Trump is set to sign an executive order on Wednesday that will order a "review" of national monuments protected by his predecessors, with the aim of eliminating two big monuments in southern Utah. While the new Bears Ears National Monument, and 1.7 million-acre Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monuments may be the direct target, Presidents Obama and Clinton used the 1906 Antiquities Act to preserve public lands in Washington, Oregon, California, Nevada, Idaho, Montana and New Mexico.

Sierra Designs Expands Packing It Out Partnership

*SGB Media*, April 24

Between 2015 and 2016, the Packing It Out crew thru-hiked the Appalachian and Pacific Crest Trails, removing more than 1,820 pounds of trash while encouraging those they met to take greater responsibility for the wild places we all enjoy...Along the way, they will be hosting speaking engagements and clean-ups in National Parks and scenic areas, eventually wrapping up on Washington's Olympic Peninsula this fall.

Groups Submit Comments to BLM's Request for Public Review of Oil and

Gas Leasing and Development on Federal Lands

Indybay.org, April 24

On April 6, the Center for Biological Diversity (CBD) and Sierra Club submitted nearly 100 pages of comments (see PDF) on the Draft Resource Management Plan Amendment/Draft Environmental Impact Statement ("RMP"/"DEIS") for the Bureau of Land Management ("BLM") Central Coast Field Office in Hollister.

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First Nevada Standoff Trial Ends in Partial Mistrial

*Courthouse News Service*, April 24

After 27 days of trial and several more of deliberations, a hung jury forced a mistrial in the first of three federal trials involving rancher Cliven Bundy and his supporters. Federal prosecutors scored only partial success Monday as a jury convicted two of six defendants on several counts of conspiring to intimidate federal law enforcement during an armed standoff in April 2014. Co-defendants Richard Burleson and Todd Engel face lengthy prison sentences. They also face potential convictions on other counts during an upcoming retrial. Each of six defendants currently on trial is accused of 10 felony counts of conspiring to intimidate the Bureau of Land Management and federal law enforcement into releasing about 400 head of cattle owned Nevada rancher Cliven Bundy on April 12, 2014.

Ex-Koch operative tapped to lead rule-cutting task force

*E&E News*, April 24

Interior Secretary Ryan Zinke has selected Daniel Jorjani, an adviser to various Koch brothers organizations, and veteran government official James Cason to lead a task force for cutting regulations. Jorjani, a conservative attorney and holdover from the Trump landing team at Interior, will serve as the policy officer, while Cason, current associate deputy secretary, will take the reform officer post, according to an Interior spokeswoman. *See PDF for full story.*

Trump: Border wall funding could wait until September

The Washington Times, *The Associated Press*, April 24

President Trump appears to be backing off his demand that funding for his Southern border wall be included in a bill to prevent a government shutdown at the end of the week. Trump told a gathering of around 20 conservative media reporters Monday evening that he would be willing to return to the funding issue in September. That's according to two people who were in the room.

The government will run out of money this coming Saturday unless lawmakers pass legislation financing federal agencies.

Trump acts fast to strike rules but what's the long-term impact?

*E&E News*, April 25

Almost 100 days in office and President Trump has taken a number of steps to make good on his promise to roll back regulations that conservatives say are choking the American economy. Trump has issued a number of executive orders prompting federal agencies to limit regulatory actions and focus more on deregulation. And he's deployed the formerly rare Congressional Review Act to overturn a dozen Obama-era rules, many of which were intended to protect the environment and make energy production cleaner. Though Trump's deregulatory agenda is clear, the question is whether the measures will have a lasting impact, experts say. *See PDF for full story.*

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